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POTASH & PHOSPHATE INSTITUTE
POTASH REPORT SUMMARY
(Short Tons K2O)

PR 0490
MAY 31, 1990

APRIL

	CANADIAN PRODUCERS 1990	1989	Change %	UNITED STATES PRODUCERS 1990	1989	Change %	TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS 1990	1989	Change %
Beginning Inventory	1,758,148	2,058,358	-14.6%	352,487	309,195	14.0%	2,110,635	2,367,553	-10.9%
(+) Production	760,617	828,105	-8.1%	165,457	138,509	19.5%	926,074	966,614	-4.2%
(-) Ending Inventory	1,639,931	1,914,931	-14.4%	357,652	234,128	52.8%	1,997,583	2,149,059	-7.0%
(=) Total Disappearance	878,834	971,532	-9.5%	160,292	213,576	-24.9%	1,039,126	1,185,108	-12.3%
(-) Exports	289,144	380,740	-24.1%	24,164	56,906	-57.5%	313,308	437,646	-28.4%
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	589,690	590,792	- .2%	136,128	156,670	-13.1%	725,818	747,462	-2.9%

TEN MONTHS (JULY-APRIL) OF THE FERTILIZER YEAR

	CANADIAN PRODUCERS 1989/90	'88/89	Change %	UNITED STATES PRODUCERS 1989/90	'88/89	Change %	TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS 1989/90	'88/89	Change %
Beginning Inventory	2,010,651	1,306,920	53.8%	221,730	160,093	38.5%	2,232,381	1,467,013	52.2%
(+) Production	6,043,496	7,417,724	-18.5%	1,541,130	1,351,757	14.0%	7,584,626	8,769,481	-13.5%
(-) Ending Inventory	1,639,931	1,914,931	-14.4%	357,652	234,128	52.8%	1,997,583	2,149,059	-7.0%
(=) Total Disappearance	6,414,216	6,809,713	-5.8%	1,405,208	1,277,722	10.0%	7,819,424	8,087,435	-3.3%
(-) Exports	2,512,301	3,055,858	-17.8%	332,171	393,340	-15.6%	2,844,472	3,449,198	-17.5%
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	3,901,915	3,753,855	3.9%	1,073,037	884,382	21.3%	4,974,952	4,638,237	7.3%

MONTH-END INVENTORIES - CANADIAN AND U.S. PRODUCERS
(000's Short Tons K2O)

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
FY 1989/90	2,232	1,748	2,002	2,142	2,391	2,093	2,059	2,174	2,111	1,998		
FY 1988/89	1,406	1,261	1,491	1,636	1,774	1,760	1,981	2,235	2,367	2,149	2,075	2,232

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TOTAL BY U. S. AND CANADIAN PRODUCERS
(Short Tons K20)

APRIL 1990

	PRODUCTION		ENDING INVENTORY April 30				DISAPPEARANCE	
	1990 APR	1989	MINE SITE	OFFSITE	1990	1989	1990 APR	1989
MURIATE								
Special Standard	23,751	28,443	20,267	20,553	40,820	45,900	1,139	19,919
Standard	249,191	289,373	278,706	174,158	452,864	498,665	255,566	348,218
Chemical	4,399	3,595	10,600	4,733	15,333	10,431	6,994	10,638
Coarse	248,172	265,497	151,113	520,679	671,792	857,181	234,445	298,281
Granular	268,206	290,846	230,667	313,839	544,506	579,343	413,291	358,760
Soluble	90,917	60,466	96,700	76,211	172,911	112,278	97,700	110,129
Sulphates	41,438	28,394	79,869	19,488	99,357	45,261	29,991	39,163
TOTAL:	926,074	966,614	867,922	1,129,661	1,997,583	2,149,059	1,039,126	1,185,108

	AGRICULTURAL SALES				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES				TOTAL AG & NON-AG SALES APRIL	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1990 APR	1989	1990 APR	1989	1990 APR	1989	1990 APR	1989	1990	1989
MURIATE										
Special Std	-	-	3,477	24,904	-	-	-	-	3,477	24,904
Standard	40,469	43,228	190,830	301,032	22,180	21,749	770	554	254,249	366,563
Chemical	-	-	-	-	6,297	7,697	670	494	6,967	8,191
Coarse	230,750	258,438	35,902	28,533	-	-	-	-	266,652	286,971
Granular	316,373	294,908	58,360	47,529	-	-	-	-	374,733	342,437
Soluble	59,363	75,771	11,142	2,769	9,717	10,210	520	11,929	80,742	100,679
Sulphates	23,448	18,861	11,637	19,902	556	496	-	-	35,641	39,259
TOTAL:	670,403	691,206	311,348	424,669	38,750	40,152	1,960	12,977	1,022,461	1,169,004

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	PRODUCTION		ENDING INVENTORY April 30				DISAPPEARANCE	
	1990 APR	1989	MINE SITE	OFFSITE	1990	1989	1990 APR	1989
MURIATE								
Special Standard	23,751	28,443	20,267	20,553	40,820	45,900	1,139	19,919
Standard	217,151	261,162	167,238	174,219	341,457	397,540	226,708	294,202
Chemical	3,162	2,258	9,264	4,733	13,997	8,849	6,005	9,912
Coarse	233,066	248,029	144,389	520,679	665,068	842,592	218,838	272,885
Granular	198,928	231,797	104,402	302,288	406,690	508,993	337,012	273,512
Soluble	84,559	56,416	95,688	76,211	171,899	111,067	89,132	101,102
TOTAL:	760,617	828,105	541,248	1,098,683	1,639,931	1,914,931	878,834	971,532

	AGRICULTURAL SALES				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES				TOTAL AG & NON-AG SALES	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		APRIL	
	1990 APR	1989	1990 APR	1989	1990 APR	1989	1990 APR	1989	1990	1989
MURIATE										
Special Std	-	-	3,477	24,904	-	-	-	-	3,477	24,904
Standard	26,594	19,900	187,412	278,476	11,063	10,798	-	-	225,069	309,174
Chemical	-	-	-	-	5,302	6,987	650	478	5,952	7,465
Coarse	219,983	240,291	34,235	23,438	-	-	-	-	254,218	263,729
Granular	242,715	213,630	51,708	38,746	-	-	-	-	294,423	252,376
Soluble	50,950	67,463	11,142	2,769	9,689	9,414	520	11,929	72,301	91,575
TOTAL:	540,242	541,284	287,974	368,333	26,054	27,199	1,170	12,407	855,440	949,223

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	PRODUCTION			ENDING INVENTORY April 30				DISAPPEARANCE	
	1990 APR		1989	MINE SITE	OFFSITE	1990	1989	1990 APR	1989
MURIATE									
Standard	32,040		28,211	111,468	(61)	111,407	101,125	28,858	54,016
Chemical	1,237		1,337	1,336	-	1,336	1,582	989	726
Coarse	15,106		17,468	6,724	-	6,724	14,589	15,607	25,396
Granular	69,278		59,049	126,265	11,551	137,816	70,360	76,279	85,248
Soluble	6,358		4,050	1,012	-	1,012	1,211	8,568	9,027
Sulphates	41,438		28,394	79,869	19,488	99,357	45,261	29,991	39,163
TOTAL:	165,457		138,509	326,674	30,978	357,652	234,128	160,292	213,576

	AGRICULTURAL SALES				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES				TOTAL AG & NON-AG SALES APRIL	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1990 APR	1989	1990 APR	1989	1990 APR	1989	1990 APR	1989	1990	1989
MURIATE										
Standard	13,875	23,328	3,418	22,556	11,117	10,951	770	554	29,180	57,389
Chemical	-	-	-	-	995	710	20	16	1,015	726
Coarse	10,767	18,147	1,667	5,095	-	-	-	-	12,434	23,242
Granular	73,658	81,278	6,652	8,783	-	-	-	-	80,310	90,061
Soluble	8,413	8,308	-	-	28	796	-	-	8,441	9,104
Sulphates	23,448	18,861	11,637	19,902	556	496	-	-	35,641	39,259
TOTAL:	130,161	149,922	23,374	56,336	12,696	12,953	790	570	167,021	219,781